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**Specification Amendments**

Please replace the first full paragraph on page 1 starting at line 6 amended as follows:

The invention relates to intelligent or programmable host adapter devices used in computing systems for interfacing to peripheral devices. In particular, the present invention relates to methods and associated structures for downloading and uploading programmed instructions to such an intelligent host adapter device devoid of dedicated nonvolatile program memory ~~(i.e., devoid of)~~.